

VZCZCXRO7824
PP RUEHBI RUEHCI RUEHNEH
DE RUEHNE #2585 3641107
ZNR UUUUU ZZH
P 301107Z DEC 09
FM AMEMBASSY NEW DELHI
TO RUEHC/SECSTATE WASHDC PRIORITY 9048
INFO RUCPDO/USDOC WASHDC
RHEHNSC/NSC WASHDC
RUEKJCS/SECDEF WASHDC
RHHJJPI/PACOM IDHS HONOLULU HI
RUEKJCS/JOINT STAFF WASHDC
RUEHLM/AMEMBASSY COLOMBO 2200
RUEHCG/AMCONSUL CHENNAI 5453
RUEHCI/AMCONSUL KOLKATA 4668
RUEHNEH/AMCONSUL HYDERABAD 1242
RUEHKA/AMEMBASSY DHAKA 2596
RUEHIL/AMEMBASSY ISLAMABAD 6540
RUEHKT/AMEMBASSY KATHMANDU 3041
RUEHKP/AMCONSUL KARACHI 9870
RUEHBI/AMCONSUL MUMBAI 4476
RUEHLO/AMEMBASSY LONDON 7144
RUCNDT/USMISSION USUN NEW YORK 8779
RHOVVKG/COMSEVENTHFLT
RHMCSUU/HQ USCENTCOM MACDILL AFB FL

UNCLAS NEW DELHI 002585

SIPDIS

STATE FOR NP, AC, PM

STATE FOR INR/MR

STATE FOR SCA/INS, PM/CBM, PM/PRO

STATE FOR SCA/PPD, PA/RRU

STATE FOR AID/APRE-A

USDOC FOR 4530/IEP/ANESA/OSA FOR BILL MURPHY

E.O. 12958:N/A

TAGS: [KMDR](#) [KPAO](#) [PGOV](#) [PREL](#) [IN](#)

SUBJECT: MEDIA REACTION: PAKISTAN; NEW DELHI.

This countrywide cable reports on relevant media reaction/opinion from India's large non-English press. The Mission reports on English-language media via email through the daily "Early Edition" summary.

PAKISTAN

¶1. "PAKISTAN IN DISARRAY," editorial in December 30 left-of-center Marathi daily APLA MAHANGAR: "Even as India is trying to get back on track after the 26/11 tragedy, Pakistan continues to be plagued by serious domestic crises. The general lack of law and order has robbed the country of all its credibility, if at all there was some left to be salvaged. Over the last year, Pakistan has evaded responsibility for nailing down the 26/11 perpetrators. Much worse is the fact that Washington continues to advise India to be patient with Pakistan. It was only recently that one saw a change of the U.S. stance when President Obama gave clear orders to Pakistan to dismantle the terrorist networks in the Swat region."

¶2. "BATTLE RAGING WITHIN PAKISTAN NOW," edit-page article in December 27 Kolkata Bengali BARTAMAN: "Although Obama's main target is to eliminate Al-Qaida and Osama Bin Laden, they are safely hiding inside Pakistan. American troops in Afghanistan have also witnessed Taliban fighters fleeing to Pakistan for safety. Therefore, the need to launch offensives against these forces within Pakistan's territory is

greater than the need to honor Pakistan's sovereignty."
ROEMER